

# DESERT AIRMAN

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Staff Sgt. Jeremiah Erickson

## Reflecting Quality

Airman 1st Class Daniel Tucker, 355 Equipment Maintenance Squadron, winner of the 2003 Lt. General Leo Marquez Award for Outstanding Aircraft Maintenance Technician of the Year, uses a mirror to inspect flight control cables within the fuselage of an A-10. Airman Tucker was one of many winners named across the 355th Wing, 12th Air Force and the 563rd Rescue Group. For more information, and the names of the winners, see **Wing names 03 MPOY winners**, Page 4.

## D-M celebrates African-American Heritage Month

By 1st Lt. Rebecca Garland  
355th Wing Public Affairs

February is African-American Heritage month and is a time to celebrate the benefits of having a diverse culture throughout our country. Our Air Force's diversity gives us a myriad of perspectives and experiences to base current and future decisions on.

This month we celebrate the African-American culture, one of many that has enriched our community and country alike. The month's theme of "Brown versus Board of Education,"

Davis-Monthan's Black Heritage Association has a plethora of events to educate, remember and celebrate the history and successes of African-Americans.

"The segments that we have scheduled for this month are meant to enlighten people on the accomplishments of African American's in the military and nation wide," said Tech. Sgt. Robin Hawkins, 355th Medical Group NCO in charge of laboratory operations.

Events include an essay and drawing contest for Borman and Smith Elementary schools, reading at the child development center, an

annual luncheon at the Mirage Club, a gospel jubilee at the D-M chapel, a talent show and the annual banquet.

The month kicks off with an annual luncheon at The Mirage Officers' Club Feb. 5 from 11 a.m. through 1 p.m. with entertainment by the Asian Pacific American Heritage Association's Hawaiian and Tahitian dancers. A Tucson educator, Dr. Anna Jolidet will be the guest speaker. Lastly, there will be a performance by primary school children playing donated instruments.

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### New fitness and sports center increases hours of operation

In an effort to make Davis-Monthan Air Force Base "Fit to Fight," the new fitness and sports center will expand its hours of operation starting Monday to 24 hours Mondays through Fridays. Weekend and holiday hours remain the same. For more information on the fitness center hours, call 228-0022. For specifics on your squadron fitness schedule, contact your unit fitness representative.



### Commissary price increases

**Comment (1):** I want to complain about the commissary. I discover time and again that the commissary is supposed to be selling their items for cheaper than places down town.

Well, I live on a fixed income, so I can't just go throw money away, but at the commissary I keep finding that everything is more expensive. Mainly I'm referring to vitamins. I wanted to buy vitamins, because I saw an add for them to be two to three dollars cheaper than anywhere. They were for \$12.29 but later I found out that Walgreens was running a sale and their vitamins were three dollars cheaper than the ones at the commissary.

Somebody's not doing a good job.

**Comment (2):** I have a complaint. I am tired of the price of Cokes at the commissary always going up. They just went up another 20 percent and for a single bottle at the Base Exchange they are up 20 percent too. Outside the base, they are still only 99 cents. Last year they went up 20 percent, so now, between two years, they're up 40 percent. I complained to the store manager about it at the commissary and he said there was nothing he could do about it.

**Response:** Thank you for your comments about the pricing at the Commissary. The Defense Commissary Agency operates a chain of nearly 280 commissaries worldwide providing groceries to U.S. military person-

nel, retirees and their families.

DECA centralizes the pricing of items for all commissaries as determined by negotiations with the manufacturers. Commissary patrons purchase goods at cost plus a five percent surcharge, which covers the construction of new commissaries and the modernization of existing stores.

As you may have seen, our Davis-Monthan commissary and exchange are undergoing major renovations. This two-year project will significantly improve our service to the Davis-Monthan community.

It is true that some specific items won't always match off-base retailers. But, the overall cost savings is 30 percent which the commissary validates weekly through price comparisons with two local supermarkets. This savings is on your total shopping costs, not on each product. Again, thank you for your comments and we hope you continue to shop at your Base Commissary. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to call Jim Leahey of DeCA, at 228-3116, extension 3011.

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**Col. Larry Stutzriem**  
355th Wing Commander

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Staff Sgt. Tammie Clark

## Mission Spotlight

The 355th Civil Engineer Squadron's primary peacetime responsibility is operating and maintaining Davis-Monthan's airfield, facilities and infrastructure in support of the flying mission.

The 355th CES manages and maintains 1,440 facilities, including 1,256 family housing units, across 10,613 acres. This is done with a total force team of military, civilian and contractor professionals. In addition to the craftsmen and engineers, 355th CES is comprised of firefighters, explosive ordnance technicians, readiness managers, environmentalists and its own resource managers.

(Left to right) Staff Sgt. Tim Carcel, Airman 1st Class Marcus Bowman, and Airman Kenyatta Martin, all from the 355th Civil Engineer Squadron Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning Shop, set up temper tents in the 355th CES cantonment area in preparation for the Phase II exercise.

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## New Child Development Center opens

A ribbon cutting ceremony was held Monday for the new child development center on Davis-Monthan Air Force Base. The new CDC, which will run in conjunction with the old center, has the capacity to hold 300 children ages six weeks to five years old. The large waiting list for the previous CDC prompted the base to identify the need for the construction of the \$6.3 million facility.

In addition to an increase in capacity for all age infants from 12 to 64 slots, more than 65 new employees were hired to staff the new CDC. The hope is that this facility will not only ease the minds of parents by providing high quality care to a wider base populace, but that it will be a model for other military child care centers as well.



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(Left to right) Maureen Echavarry, Child Development Center Director; Staff Sgt. Jennifer Lane, 355th Wing; Scott Bailey, Stronghold Construction; Thomas Stutzriem, son of Col. Larry Stutzriem; Dorothy Finley; Jessi Lane, daughter of Sergeant Lane; Col. Michael Spencer, 355th Wing; and Chief Master Sgt. John Foran, 355th Wing cut the ribbon commemorating the opening of the Dorothy H. Finley Child Development Center.

## 355th Security Forces Squadron hosts EIC rifle match, gives airmen opportunity to earn badges

The 355th Security Forces Squadron will host an Air Force Elementary Level Excellence-in-Competition Rifle match Feb. 13 at the base small arms firing range.

This event is open to all Air Force active, Guard and Reserve personnel. Individuals may not compete if they have earned any points toward award of the Distinguished Rifleman Badge. Top scoring competitors will earn the Air Force Bronze EIC Rifle Badge.

This is an Air Force sponsored match and the 355th SFS Combat Arms section will provide all weapons, ammunition and equipment.

No personal firearms, ammunition or shooting equipment is allowed (specialized shooting jackets, gloves, glasses, etc.). All competitors must wear the battle dress uniform. Times for match relays are 7 and 9 a.m., noon and 2 p.m. Each relay will last approximately two hours. Slots are limited and will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

Combat arms personnel will begin accepting telephone reservations (no e-mail) Monday at 7 a.m. at 228-8377. You may direct questions to any combat arms personnel at the same number.

## News Notes

### Road closure

Fifth Street from Arizola Street to Phoenix Street will be closed to all traffic for approximately 60 days starting Monday. The purpose of the closure is to remove and replace pavement. Swan Road Gate traffic will be detoured onto First Street at Arizola Street. The intersection of Fifth Street and Ironwood Street will remain open for east-west traffic to the maximum extent possible, but this intersection will be repaved also. Please be patient and obey all detour signs during the project.

### Blood Drive

To help with critically low blood supplies in the United States, there is a blood drive Feb. 11 from 8 a.m. until noon in the Desert Oasis Enlisted Club ball room.

### 355th Medical Group promotions

Congratulations to the following D-M members who were selected for promotion:

#### Colonel selectee

Lt. Col. (Dr.) Richard Clark, 355th Medical Group deputy group commander

#### Lieutenant colonel selectee

Maj. (Dr.) Douglas Little, 41st Electronic Combat Squadron flight surgeon

#### Major selectees

Capt. (Dr.) Alechia Trout, 354th Fighter Squadron flight surgeon

Capt. (Dr.) Douglas Min, 355th Medical Operations Squadron pediatrician

### Dental health month

February is Children's Dental Health Month. The Davis-Monthan dental clinic will be visiting elementary schools on- and off-base to provide instruction on brushing and flossing. The clinic will visit Borman Elementary Tuesday and Smith Elementary Wednesday. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Danielle Smalley at 228-2652.

### Nametag wear guidance

Wear of the metallic nametag on the service dress uniform is now mandatory. The nametag must be worn on the wearer's right side of the service dress jacket with the bottom of the nametag level with the bottom of the ribbons. It should be centered between the sleeve seam and the lapel. The nametag will also be worn on all pullover sweaters on the wearer's right side with the bottom of the nametag level centered between the middle of the sleeve seam and the seam of the neckline. It will not be worn on the cardigan sweater. For more information, contact the military personnel flight customer service at 228-4425.

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# Wing names 03 MPOY winners

By Senior Airman  
Brandy Dupper-Macy  
355th Wing Public Affairs

The maintainers from Davis-Monthan Air Force Base held their annual Maintenance Professional of the Year banquet and the 355th Wing Maintenance Group Medalion Ceremony here last week to announce its award winners.

The Maintenance Professionals of the Year Banquet announced the winners for various awards to include the Lt. Gen. Leo Marquez, aircraft and munitions maintenance

was awarded to Senior Airman Richard Bartlett. Staff Sgt. Brandon Hess received the **NCO of the year award**.

**The 355th Wing 2003 CMSAF Thomas N. Barnes Crew Chief of the Year** was awarded to Staff Sgt. Robert Crumpler.

Airman 1st Class Daniel Tucker was awarded the **355th Wing 2003 Lt. Gen. Leo Marquez Award Outstanding Aircraft Maintenance Technician of the Year** and Tech. Sgt. Abel Balderaz received the **Technician-Supervisor of the Year award**. The **Supervisor-Manager category** was

awarded to Master Sgt. Christopher Gaecke and the **Manager of the Year** recipient was Capt. Chuck Dunaway.

**The 355th Wing 2003 Lt. Gen. Leo Marquez Award Outstanding Aircraft Maintenance Field Grade Manager of the Year** was awarded to Maj. Leo Eisbach.

The winner of the **355th Wing 2003 Lt. Gen. Leo Marquez Award Outstanding Munitions Maintenance Technician of**

**the Year** was Senior Airman Matthew Ballingall. The **Technician-Supervisor of the Year** category went home with Tech. Sgt. James Nemec. **Supervisor-Manager of the Year** was awarded to Master Sgt. Duane Nixon. Second Lt. Orlando Valles received the **Company Grade Manager of the Year**.

**The 355th Wing 2003 Lt. Gen. Leo Marquez Award Outstanding Aircraft Maintenance Technician of the Year** was given to Airman 1st Class Daniel Tucker.

The **355th Wing 2003 Weapons Maintenance Airman of the Year** award went to Senior Airman Christopher Patton. The winner of the **NCO** category was Staff Sgt. Kristopher Clepper.

Airman 1st Class Jerry Smith III took home the **355th Wing 2003 Armament Systems Specialist Airman of the year**, while Staff Sgt. John Walton earned the **NCO**

**of the year** award.

The **355th Wing 2003 Weapons Load Crew of the Year** was awarded to Staff Sgt. Paul Greenland, Airman 1st Class Adam Griffin and Airman 1st Class Cody Criqui, members of the 354th Aircraft Maintenance Unit, Crew 11, 355th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron.

The **355th Wing 2003 Weapons Flight of the Year** was won by the 354th Weapons Flight, 354th AMU, 355th AMXS.

Airman 1st Class Christopher Wynn took the **55th Electronic Combat Group 2003 Maintenance Professional of the Year** in the **Airman** category, while Tech. Sgt. Carla West received the award in the **NCO** category.

The **55th Electronic Combat Group 2003 Lt. Gen. Leo Marquez Award Outstanding Aircraft Maintenance Company Grade Manager** was given to Capt. Colin Morris. Master Sgt. Bobby Phillips, Jr. received the **Maintenance Supervisor-Manager**.

**The 55th Electronic Combat Group 2003 Lt. Gen. Leo Marquez Award Outstanding Aircraft Maintenance Person of the Year Technician-Supervisor** category was awarded to Staff Sgt. David Ward. The **Technician** category was received by Senior Airman Ivan Gregory.

Tech. Sgt. Jon Williams took the **55th Electronic Combat Group 2003 Lt. Gen. Leo Marquez Award Outstanding Communications-Electronics Maintenance Person of the Year Technician-Supervisor** home. The **Technician** category was awarded to Senior Airman Jonathan Stutsman.

The **55th Electronic Combat Group 2003 CMSAF Thomas Barnes Crew Chief of the Year** was given to Staff Sgt. Jason Yearicks.

Winners for the 563rd Rescue Group were: Staff Sgt. Christopher



Courtesy base photo lab

Senior Airman Adam Griffin, a member of the winning load crew that took home the 355th Wing 2003 Weapons Load Crew of the Year, secures the AGM-65 missile to the 329A adapter in preparation of loading.



Courtesy base photo lab

Staff Sgt. Kristopher Clepper, 355th Wing 2003 Weapons Maintenance NCO of the year winner performs a 7-level, 30mm gun inspection.

categories, and the Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force Thomas Barnes, crew chief category for the 355th Wing, 755th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron and 563rd Maintenance Squadron.

"The accomplishments this past year have been numerous," said Chief Master Sgt. Robert Sherry, 355th Maintenance Group maintenance superintendent.

"Maintainers from throughout the base have been instrumental in executing the mission. This made the competition and selection that much more difficult. Although every maintainer at D-M has played an important role in achieving some record setting accomplishments, we had to narrow the selection to a few superstars," said Chief Sherry.

**The winner of the 355th Wing 2003 Air Combat Command Maintenance Professional of the Year** in the **airman** category

Dolezal in the **563rd Rescue Group 2003 CMSAF Thomas N. Barnes Crew Chief of the Year**, Airman 1st Class Justice Simmons in the **563rd Rescue Group 2003 Maintenance Professional of the Year Weapons Maintenance Airman** and Staff Sgt. Travis Romesha in the **NCO** category, Senior Airman Timothy Dickens in the **Maintenance Airman of the year** category, Staff Sgt. Richard Mulhollen in the **Maintenance NCO of the year** and Senior Master Sgt. John Hutto in the **SNCO of the year** category.

The Maintenance Chief's selected those aircraft maintainers whose achievements exemplify our core value of maintenance excellence, Chief Sherry said. Though they were singled out for these superior achievements, they also represent their fellow maintainers because everything in the Air Force is a team effort.

Winners from the 355th Fighter Wing will compete against seven other combat wings maintainers. The winners from 755th AMXS and 563rd RQS will compete within the numbered Air Forces in their major commands.

For a look at additional winners, see **Airmen receive MPOY recognition**, page 14.



# Airmen asked to hold off embroidering jacket logo

Air Force clothing office officials are asking airmen to wait a few weeks before having their lightweight blue jackets embroidered with the Air Force logo.

"We've had an overwhelmingly positive response in regards to placing the logo on the jacket," said Libby Glade, Air Force clothing office chief. "However, we have also received numerous questions from embroidery vendors and private individuals about the logo. We are revising the technical data to ob-

tain an embroidery software format to ensure a high-quality, consistent appearance."

A contractor is currently working on a digitized pattern, which will be available online by the first week of February, Ms. Glade said. This pattern should be compatible with 90 percent of the embroidery software programs used by vendors.

"We are advising vendors and individuals to hold off on embroidering until further guidance is

available," she said.

Besides the digitized pattern, complete, updated specifications for embroidery will be available online. These specifications will include a diagram of logo placement and design elements, such as thread color and number, font style and size, stitch style and count, and spacing.

Ms. Glade said those individuals who have already had their jackets embroidered based on the current Web site logo guidelines

and the previous news article are authorized to wear their embroidered jackets.

"However, we are advising that since this software will ensure conformity with the AF logo guidelines and provide uniformity across the AF, it would be best if individuals refrained from having their jackets embroidered until the software is available," she said. *(Information in this article courtesy Air Force Print News.)*

## Heritage

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"We are hoping to spread knowledge about black heritage as well as provide the D-M community some events they can enjoy," said Sergeant Hawkins.

The essay and drawing contest is for elementary students to write on a topic relating to African American culture. For the coloring portion, volunteers will visit children at the CDC to assist them in coloring pictures and read-

ing books about African American culture.

Reading at the child development center is also taking place this month.

"It's important that the children are educated and know what African Americans have accomplished," said Sergeant Hawkins.

The gospel jubilee is Feb. 21 from 1 through 5 p.m. at the base chapel.

"I like all of the events, but the one I'm really looking forward to is the gospel jubilee," said Sergeant Hawkins. "We have all different choirs from off base coming to the base theater and we will have a good time and fellowship. The event is open to everyone."

The talent show is Feb. 28 at the base theater. While the time is still to be determined, the community is invited to participate. Entry forms will be distributed throughout the base and at the youth centers.

The concluding event for the month is the annual banquet at The Mirage Officers' Club in March. The exact date is still to be determined. The banquet is to pay honor and tribute to the accomplishments of African-Americans.

"We should strengthen our ties as a nation," said Sergeant Hawkins. "That's what Black Heritage month is all about."



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## Simulator expands readiness

The last few kinks are being worked out of the new Tower Simulator System at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base. The state-of-the-art technology gives air traffic controllers a realistic view of the air space that surrounds D-M. With more than

50 percent of the air traffic workforce in training, the simulator was a necessary addition to the base to help alleviate a heavy strain currently placed on ATC trainers. The ribbon cutting ceremony for the simulator is scheduled for Wednesday at 10 a.m.



Photos by Stephanie Ritter

(Above) Senior Airman Christopher Burtrum (left) demonstrates an air traffic scenario for Tech. Sgt. Sompatana Phisayavong, both with the 355th OSS, using models of aircraft and a drawing on a table to simulate the D-M flight line. Previously, static displays using the models and over head projections were the main tools used by Air Traffic Control trainers working with trainees outside of the actual tower.



(Top) Master sergeants Richard Sims (left) and Gregory Harrell, both with the 355th Operations Support Squadron, work on the new Tower Simulator System. The system gives a realistic 270-degree panoramic view with a track ball selection for a total 360-degree view of the Davis-Monthan air space. (Above) In addition to the realistic view of what is seen from the tower, trainers can also zoom-in on aircraft, or even choose a view from inside the cockpit for various levels of training.

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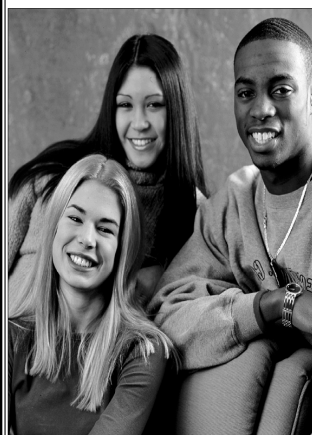
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# Soldiers thank Davis-Monthan community

By 1st Lt. Mark Hamilton  
355th Security Forces Squadron

As many of you know, security soldiers from the U.S. Army were asked to help out D-M Security Forces because of the operations tempo driven by deployments to the Middle East. A local National Guard Unit (1/180th Field Artillery) was activated for this mission. Although the unit is 'local,' it has soldiers from as far away as the White Mountains, Kingman, Safford, Bullhead City and other cities. Actually, one third of the unit is from outside Pima County lines. The soldiers' loved ones are glad to have them stationed so close. It is a bitter sweet job.

On one-hand the soldiers have put their civilian jobs, and their promotional opportunities, on hold. On the other, most are close enough to home that they can kiss their kids at night. Others live too far to make the daily commute, and others wish they would have been activated to go to Iraq to help out their 'brothers.' Regardless, the unit is thankful for what the military has given us and are proud to serve.

The men and women are proud to help out the 'Army Air Corp' and have been encouraged by the people who say thanks on a daily basis. The 1/180th is a Field Artillery unit in a security forces world. We long for the days of firing our big guns again, but we will con-

tinue to secure the perimeter, watch the flight line, wave traffic and walk through the neighborhoods. We thank those that pass homemade cakes, pies, cookies to the guys working the gates. It is nice to see on Christmas Day one of the guys who is not able to go home for the holidays eating homemade cookies with a smile. Please continue to thank all guys and gals working, Army and Air Force. One team, one fight.

More importantly, our unit has been told this will be only one of a two year mission. Yes, we are here for another year, and we ask everyone to continue to tell the guys thanks. It is a bittersweet job that we are proud to do.

## Final Answer

## What is your Super Bowl tradition?



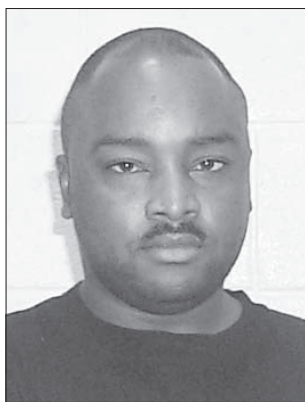
**Airman**  
**Thomas Harrison**  
755th Aircraft  
Maintenance Squadron

*"My tradition is to barbecue and watch the game with friends."*



**Senior Airman**  
**Coy Ash**  
355th Civil  
Engineer Squadron

*"My tradition is to continue believing that no matter who wins the Super Bowl the Browns are still number one."*



**Staff Sgt.**  
**Bobby Box**  
355th Component  
Maintenance Squadron

*"I knock on my neighbors door with a jersey of a team they hate on."*



**Airman 1st Class**  
**Matt Pace**  
355th Civil  
Engineer Squadron

*"My tradition is to not watch the Super Bowl if the Green Bay Packers are not in it."*



**Tech. Sgt.**  
**Deb Sprich**  
355th Maintenance  
Operations Squadron

*"I try to find a Super Bowl party to go to, so I don't have to do any cooking or cleaning myself."*



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*"I sit on the couch eating porkrinds while watching the game."*




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# Lending a hand

## D-M children become friends of a new day

Children from Davis-Monthan's Borman Elementary school recently helped the Hope for a New Day organization assemble "Back-to-School" boxes for children living in Halabjah, a Kurdish community in Iraq.



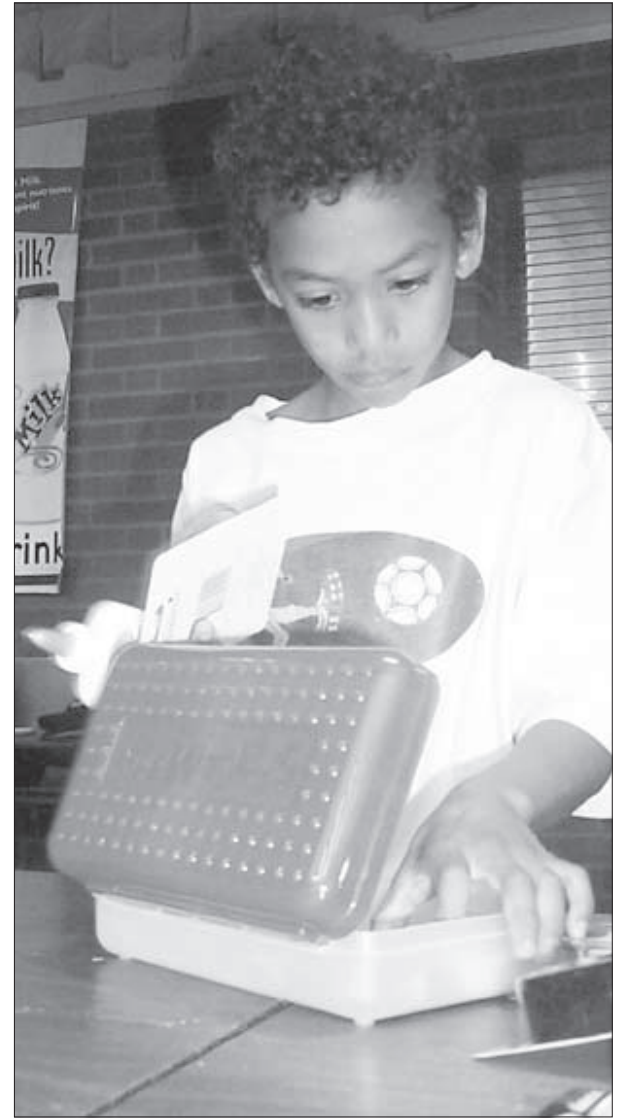
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Hope for a New Day's goal is to create a sense of hope for a better future among the Halabjah villagers by facilitating a student-to-student assistance project, which enables American elementary students to send a small box of personal school supplies to an Iraqi student.

Each box assembled by the children included pencils, a pencil sharpener, an eraser, a ruler, a box of crayons, a bottle of glue, a pair of scissors and a hand drawn card from the students to let the Halabjah children know they had a friend in America.

The items used to fill the boxes were donated by individuals and community organizations representing various segments of the southern Arizona communities.

(Left) Bob Dohse, Hope for a New Day volunteer, talks to children at Borman Elementary School about the "Friends of a New Day's" goal to supply "Back-to-School" boxes to children in Halabjah, Iraq. (Right) Ramanik Quarles, son of Helen and Master Sgt. Stacey Quarles, 355th Component Maintenance Squadron, adds a bottle of glue and a card to a "Back-to-School" supply box.



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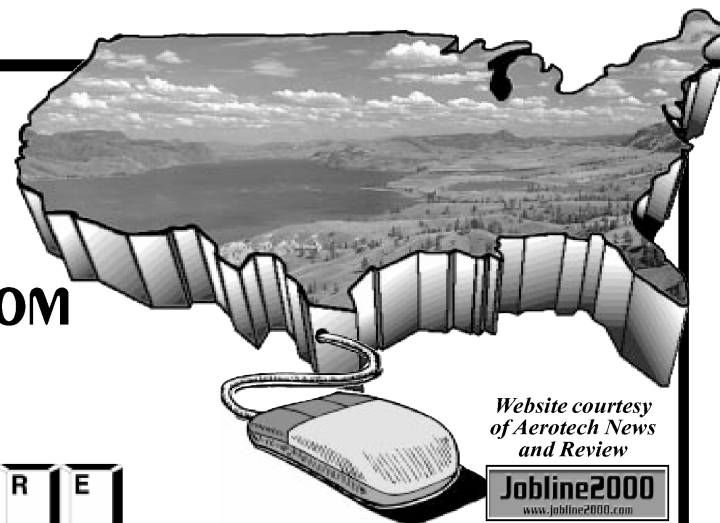
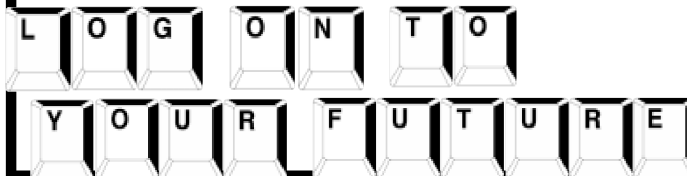
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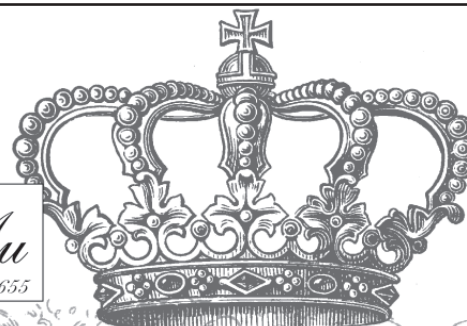
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## Sonoran Spotlight

(Editor's note: Sonoran Spotlight is a weekly feature of the Desert Airman that profiles a member (officer, enlisted or civilian) of the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base Desert Lightning community. Members are nominated by their unit commander or first sergeant.)

**Name:** Staff Sgt. David Keyfauber

**Organization:** 355th Operations Support Squadron

**Duty title:** Intelligence Applications

**Hometown:** Savannah, Ga.

**Marital status:** I am married.

**Children:** I have two sons.

**Years of service:** I have been in the Air Force five years.

**Reason for joining the Air Force:** I joined the Air Force to travel.

**Main responsibilities:** My main job responsibilities include intelligence systems and training.

**Best aspects of job:** The best aspect of my job is a secret.

**Goals:** It is my goal to make master sergeant, or close to, at my 12 year mark.

**Hobbies/outside activities:** I enjoy biking.

**Best aspect of D-M:** I think the best aspect of D-M is the Aerospace Maintenance and Regeneration Center. I am an aircraft junkie.

**My best assignment:** My best assignment was Kadena Air Base, Okinawa, Japan. The Air Base is surrounded by beaches, the yearly temperature was around 80 degrees and I worked with a rescue squadron.

**Inspiration:** My wife is my inspiration. She is amazing with all the stuff I make her put up with like two deployments a year, long work hours and taking care of three boys (myself included).



Staff Sgt. Russel Wicke



Courtesy photo

## Airmen earn STEP promotion

Two airman from Davis-Monthan recently received Stripes for Exceptional Performers promotions for exhibiting exceptional potential and being deemed worthy of promotion by the 355th Wing commander and the 12th Air Force commander.

Staff Sgt. Steven Sepeda, 355th Expeditionary Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, deployed from Davis-Monthan was promoted to the rank of technical sergeant.

Tech. Sgt. Wade Rasmussen, 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron, was promoted to the rank of master sergeant.

(Left) Tech. Sgt. Steven Sepeda, 355th Expeditionary Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, receives congratulations from airman currently deployed with him at Kirkuk Air Base, Iraq, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.



Staff Sgt. Matthew Loh

(Above) Master Sgt. Wade Ramussen, 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron, is congratulated by his family after being awarded his master sergeant stipe.

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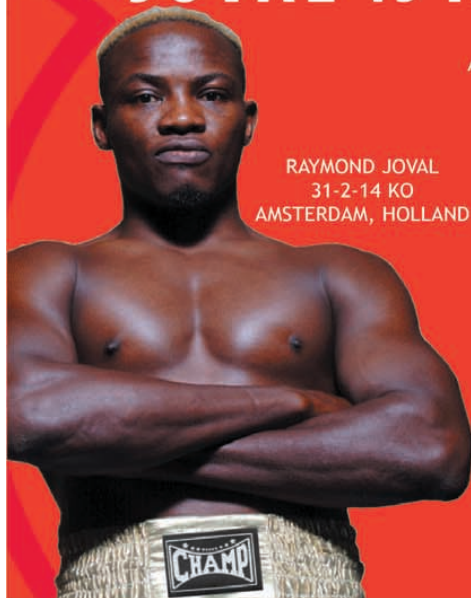
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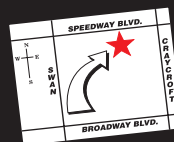
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30. Summer drink
33. Italian family who governed Ferrara (13-16 century)
34. Type of military security officer (abbrev.)
35. Hoist
36. Football stat (abbrev.)
38. Car fluid
41. Someone who swaps goods
42. Finish
43. Texas Air Force Base home to 311 HSW
44. Bother
46. Greenland Air Base home to 821st ABG
47. Arouse
49. Candy brand
50. Geek
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When a parent realizes that "I can correct my child, he or she may get upset with me, but the child is still going to love me," the parent gains confidence, according to Barnes. The book shows parents how to stay calm, communicate clearly, set boundaries, have reasonable expectations, give consistent consequences, and teach a young child self-control and other skills.

Parenting toddlers can be a time of high conflict. Many couples are just finding out that they have very different parenting styles — one may see the other as either too lenient or too strict, says Barnes. It may not be an exaggeration, she adds, to say that agreeing to use *Common Sense Parenting*® techniques "saves marriages. It can lead to a lot less strife."

Parents, according to Barnes, list many of the same problems

with their toddlers — acting up at bedtime and meals, throwing temper tantrums, refusing to take "no" for an answer, etc. In dealing with these issues, however, parents also make common mistakes — treating children like "little adults," giving kids choices they're not equipped to make, and setting expectations too high.

Young children, she says, need lots of reminders, assistance, modeling, and patience. The book provides step-by-step information on how to do these things. Also included are answers to dozens of questions frequently asked by parents of toddlers.

Barnes is the mother of two and stepmother of four children and has been a *Common Sense Parenting* trainer for 13 years.

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# Airmen receive MPOY recognition

Congratulations to the airmen from the 355th Maintenance Group who received 2003 Maintenance Professional of the Year awards.

Winners were announced Saturday during a banquet held in the 79th Aircraft Maintenance Unit hangar.

Categories the airman competed in included the Lt. Gen. Leo Marquez Award for Outstanding Aircraft Maintenance, the 355th Wing 2003 Armament Systems Specialist and many additional categories. See list of winners on Page 4.

(Right) Senior Airman Richard Bartlett, 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron, winner of the 355th Wing 2003 Air Combat Command Maintenance Professional of the Year in the airman category, removes a sheet metal skin section from an A-10 Warthog engine nose cowling to replace the cracked skin.



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(Above) Senior Master Sgt. John Hutto, 563rd Maintenance Squadron, winner of the 563rd Rescue Group 2003 Maintenance Professional of the Year Weapons Maintenance NCO of the Year, reviews a technical order. (Middle right) Tech. Sgt. Abel Balderaz, 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron, winner of the 355th Wing 2003 Lt. Gen. Leo Marquez Award Outstanding Aircraft Maintenance Technician of the Year, changes rivets in an A-10 Warthog deceleron.



(Left) Tech. Sgt. Jon Williams, 755th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, winner of the 55th Electronic Combat Group 2003 Lt. Gen. Leo Marquez Award for Outstanding Communications-Electronics Maintenance Person of the Year Technician-Supervisor, performs a seven-level inspection for a home station check inspection, to ensure the high band receive antennas are properly installed and safely wired.



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11 a.m. to noon - Pilates - \$2 - New FC  
11 a.m. to noon – Step Aerobics – Haeffner  
Noon to 1 p.m. - Spinning - Haeffner  
5 to 6 p.m. - Step Aerobics - Haeffner  
5 to 5:50 p.m. - Dang Soo Do (8-14 yr olds, white and yellow belts) - New FC  
6 to 6:50 p.m. - Dang Soo Do (8-14 yr olds, orange belts and up) - New FC  
7 to 8 p.m. - Dang Soo Do (15 years plus) - New FC

Tuesday

9:15 to 10 a.m. - Water Aerobics - High - New FC  
10 to 11 a.m. - Senior/Low Impact Aerobics - \$2 - New FC  
11 a.m. to noon - Pilates - \$2 - New FC  
11 a.m. to noon - Step Aerobics - \$2 - Haeffner  
Noon to 1 p.m. - Circuit Training - Haeffner  
5 to 6 p.m. - Spinning (Intense) - \$2 - New FC  
5 to 6 p.m. - Step Aerobics - \$2 - Haeffner  
6 to 7 p.m. - Pilates - \$2 - Haeffner  
6 to 8 p.m. - Self Defense (Kyokushin) - \$25/month - New FC

Wednesday

11 to 11:45 a.m. - Water Aerobics - Medium - New FC  
11 a.m. to noon - Pilates - \$2 - New FC  
11 a.m. to noon - Step Aerobics - Haeffner  
5 to 6 p.m. - Step Aerobics - Haeffner  
5 to 5:50 p.m. - Dang Soo Do (8-14 yr olds, orange belts and up) - New FC  
6 to 6:50 p.m. - Dang Soo Do (8-14 yr olds, white and yellow belts) New FC  
6:15 to 7 p.m. - Water Aerobics - High Intensity - New FC  
7 to 8 p.m. - Dang Soo Do (Adults) - New FC

Thursday

9:15 to 10 a.m. - Water Aerobics - High Intensity - New FC  
10 to 11 a.m. - Senior/Low Impact Aerobics - \$2 - New FC  
11 a.m. to noon - Step Aerobics - \$2 - Haeffner  
Noon to 1 p.m. - Circuit Training - Haeffner  
5 to 6 p.m. - Pilates - \$2 - New FC  
5 to 6 p.m. - Step Aerobics - \$2 - Haeffner  
5 to 6 p.m. - Spinning (Inense) - Haeffner  
6 to 7 p.m. - Pilates - \$2 - Haeffner  
6 to 8 p.m. - Kyokushin - \$25/month - New FC

Friday

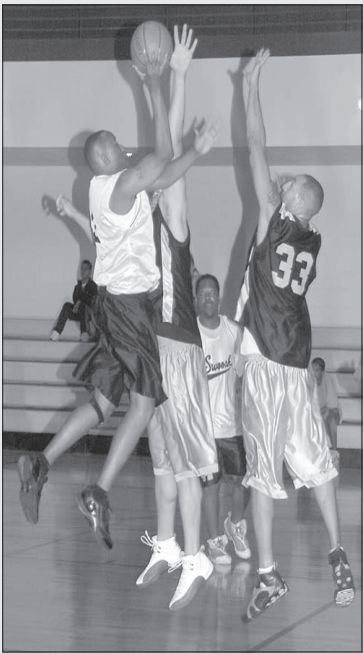
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11 a.m. to noon - Step Aerobics - Haeffner  
Noon to 1 p.m. - Spinning - Haeffner  
5 to 5:50 p.m. - Dang Soo Do (8 to 14 yrs, white and yellow belt) - New FC  
6 to 6:50 p.m. - Dang Soo Do (8 to 14 yrs, orange belts and up) New FC  
7 to 8 p.m. - Dang Soo Do (Adults) - New FC

Saturday

10 to 11 a.m. - Step Aerobics - \$2 - New FC  
11 a.m. to noon - Water (Medium intensity) - New FC

Sunday

10 to 11 a.m. - Step Aerobics - \$2 - New FC  
11 a.m. to noon - Water (Medium intensity) - New FC



Photos by Airman Christina Kinsey

He shoots, scores

(Above) A member of the civilian basketball team "Swoosh," goes up for a shot as team "D and D" tries to block, Jan. 19 at the championship game of the 18th Annual Best of the West Basketball Tournament. (Left) A member of team "Swoosh," makes a basket, Jan. 18, at a preliminary game of the Best of the West Tournament.

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Baseball Registration

Hey batter, batter, swing! That’s right. It’s almost time for baseball season. So, if you are interested in playing baseball, here are the upcoming registration dates and locations for this year’s season:

**Youth center:** Saturday from 10 to noon; Monday from 6 to 8 p.m.; Feb. 14 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Feb. 18 from 6 to 8 p.m.  
**Ball field behind the shoppette:** Feb. 28 from 9 to 11 a.m.

Cost is \$30 for Rookie League which is ages 5 to 8 years. For ages 9 to 15 years, cost is \$50 for youth center members and \$55 for non-youth center members. For more information, call Armando Bracamonte at the youth center at 228-8365 or 228-8844.

Sugar Ray Leonard visits D-M

Olympic boxing gold medal winner and six time world champion Sugar Ray Leonard will be at D-M’s Car Care/Shoppette/Class Six, Tuesday from 4 to 5:30 p.m., to meet D-M personnel and sign autographs. Desert Diamond Casino will have registration available to win one of four pairs of boxing tickets to the Feb. 6 fight were Capt. Joe Pastorello, Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Col., will be fighting in the light heavy weight category.

Tickets to the fight start at \$20 and active duty military members presenting their military identification card will receive \$5 off from the ticket price.

Basketball coaches

The Davis-Monthan youth center basketball league is kicking off its season. The league is still looking for a few additional coaches to work with the children’s age groups 9 to 10 and 13 to 15 years.

If you’re interested in coaching, please call Armando Bracamonte at 228-8365.

Sweetheart Couples Tournament

The Blanchard Golf Course will host a Couples Sweetheart Tournament Feb. 13 and 14. This will be a nine hole couples tournament open to beginners or experienced golfers. Format for the event will be two-person scramble, two flights, gross and net. Entry fee of \$40 includes cart, green fees for two and a meal for each couple after the tournament. Prizes will be awarded. Sign up no later than Feb. 11.

For those who have never golfed and would like to learn, group lessons will be available Feb. 13 at noon for \$10 per person. Sign up at the Blanchard Golf Course Pro Shop. For more information, call 228-3734.



## Sports Shorts

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### Valentine coupon

Customers making any merchandise purchases at the Blanchard Golf Course Feb. 14 will draw an envelope containing a coupon good for 5 to 50 percent off of their purchase. Coupons valid Feb. 14 only. For more information, call 228-3734.

### Challenger Baseball

Challenger Little League Baseball registration for children and young adults with mental and physical disabilities, mild to severe is scheduled to be held Jan.

31 and Feb. 7. Three divisions offered, T-Ball, Minors and Majors based on age and skill levels for boys and girls between the ages of 5 to 22 years. The season runs March through June, with all games played at the Field of Dreams complex, 36th Street and Kino.

Registration is \$25 for one player and \$35 for two or more players in a family with scholarships available. Registration will be held at the Field of Dreams complex. For more information, contact Master Sgt. John Ewish, at 228-5507 or visit [www.tucsonchallenger.org](http://www.tucsonchallenger.org).

## Scoreboard

### Bowling Stats

#### Tuesday Early Risers

Team	W-L
The Young'ens	96-64
Sunflower Gals	92-68
We'd Rather B Sleeping	92-68
Ping Kel	87-73
Monarchs	72-88
Wee Bee Bad	69-91
3 A P O	66-94
Hit & Miss	64-96

#### Intramural - Natl

Team	W-L
AMARC Woodmill	112-48
SVS #1	104-56
CPTS #1	97-63
CMS	93-67
EMS/AMMO #1	92-68
LRS	90-70
Lockheed	85-75
MDG	85-75
AMARC	80-80
Comm #1	80-80
CONS	80-80
CPTS #2	74-86
Comm #2	72-88
EMS #2	73-87
SVS #2	68-92

12 AF #1	62-98
25 OWS #1	48-112
25 OWS #2	45-115

#### OWC

Team	W-L
Almost There	84-44
Strike Outs	82-46
Donna's Darlins	76-52
Three Bees	67-61
Lucky Ladies	67-61
Cool Cats	60-68
Rolling Pins	54-74

#### CE Mixed Trio

Team	W-L
Got Beer	42-26
The Cans	38-30
Pin Action	35-33
Brew Crew	36-32
Cruisers	35-33
Good Bad & Ugly	35-5-
32.5	
Ernie's Rebels	35-33
Jut 4 Fun	35-33
Dirt Boyz	33-35
BJ's Buns	29-5-
38.5	
Dirt Boyz	33-35
Leave The Bangs	18-50

### Thursday Night

Team	W-L
O Spare Us	92-52
Fran's Friends	90-54
Four Seas	88-56
Mission Impossible	88-56
Mickey's Mavericks	84-60
Six Shooters	82-62
Man On	78-66
PCs	76-68
Shakall	74-70
FUBAR	70-74
Fama Orrs	68-76
PBJs	63-81
May Bees	62-82
3 Jays and Me	62-82
Lane Brains	49-95

### Pee Wees

Team	W-L
Pee Wee Boys	60-30
Pee Wee Girls	30-60

### Phantom Mixed

Team	W-L
Gutter Busters	78-58
Just 4 Fun	74-62
So So's	74-62
The Oddballs	62-74

The Cajuns	62-74
Alley Oops	58-78

### Bantams/Preps

Team	W-L
The ABCs	76-44
The Kool Kats	74-46
The Pin Knockers	60-60

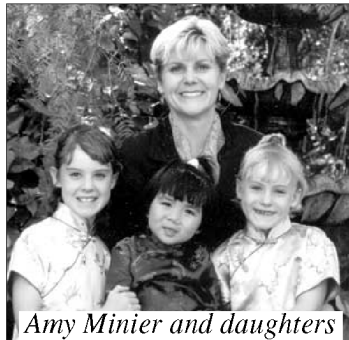
### Youth

Team	W-L
The Who's	90-30
E-Z Rollers	84-36
Hit Em Up 2.0	79-41
The 4 Angels	64-56
The Nitwitz	64-56
Strike Force	62-58
Why R We Here	56-64
Alley Kats	53-67
3 Guys & A Gal	46-58
Headpin Strikers	46-74
The Strikers	46-74
Vacant Team	24-96

### Disney

Team	W-L
Team 2	71-49
Team 1	69-51
Team 5	66-54
Team 10	52-68
Team 9	50-70
Team 4	47-73
Team 6	45-75
Team 3	42-78

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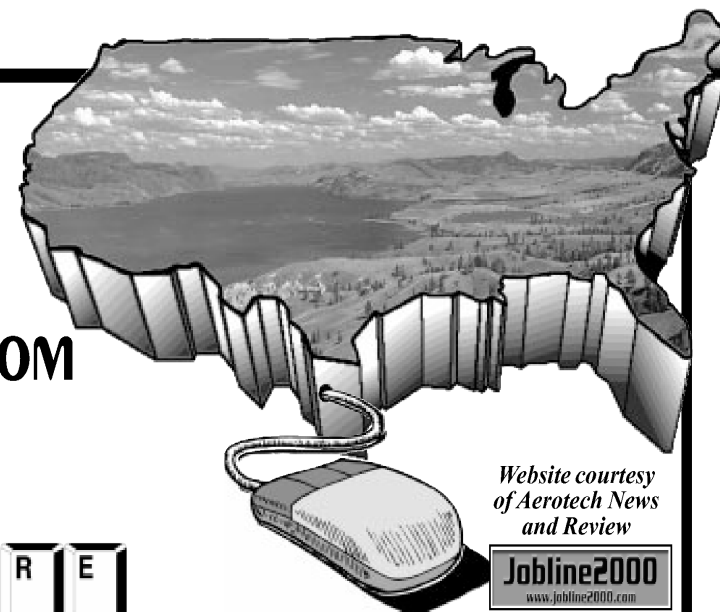
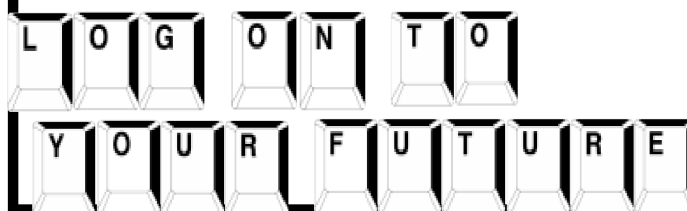
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Services and activities offered by the D-M chapel are listed below. Location is at the Desert Dove Chapel unless otherwise noted. The Desert Dove and Hope Chapels share the parking lot at 5385 E. Ironwood. For more information on Jewish or Muslim services; Sunday School programs; Vacation Bible School; Bible studies; youth groups; and women's, men's and family ministry, call 228-5411.

### Catholic Mass schedule

**Saturday:** Mass is at 5 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation is at 4:30 p.m.

**Sunday:** Mass is at 7:30 and 10 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation is at 9:15 a.m.

**Daily:** Mass is at 11:30 a.m. at Hope Chapel. Rosary begins at 11:10 a.m.

### Protestant services schedule

**Sunday:** At Hope Chapel, Contemporary Service is at 8:30 a.m. and Gospel Service is at 11:15 a.m. Traditional Service is at 11:15 a.m.

## Education Services

### Community College of the Air Force

The cutoff date for the April class is Feb. 27. To be considered in the April graduation class, CCAF must receive all documentation for degree candidate submissions on or before this date. If you are planning to graduate with the April class contact one of the counselors, or the CCAF advisor, to ensure you are a degree candidate or have been submitted prior to the cutoff date with all documentation completed. Points of contact are Rafael Maldonado at 228-3484, Michelle Marinelli at 228-4249 and Claudia Rodriguez at 228-3472.

### Air Command and Staff College seminars

The new Distance Learning Version 4.0 officially opened Jan. 1 so students can now form and start a seminar at any time during the year. The traditional yearly seminar that ran from August to June will end. To form a seminar, establish a location and time for meetings. Seminar meets for 10 and a half months for 3 hours each week. Further information is available at <https://acscdl.maxwell.af.mil> or by contacting Rafael Maldonado at 228-3484, Michelle Marinelli at 228-4249 or Phil King at 228-3812.

### Veterans Administration work study

The VA has work study positions available in the base training and education services office. Retired or separated military personnel attending school full time are eligible and must be approved by the VA. Positions are available in the following areas: computer technician, administrative and base on-the-job-trainer. For an appointment or more information, call Phil King at 228-3812.

### American College Test

The next ACT test will be given Feb. 20 at 8 a.m. in Bldg 3200, Room 265. A minimum of

five people must sign up or it will be cancelled. To sign up, call 228-3813 or 228-4815.

## Family Support Center

### Time For Tots

The next Time for Tots will be Tuesday, Feb. 10, 17 and 24 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the Desert Dove Chapel. Come and meet other parents while the children enjoy activities. For more information, call 228-5690.

### Resume Workshop

This workshop takes place Tuesday from 8 to 10 a.m. in Building 3200, Room 266 and will give a synopsis of resumes from start to finish. For more information, call 228-5690.

### Smooth Move

The Family Support Center will conduct a Smooth Move briefing Wednesday from 8 to 11 a.m. in Building 3200, Room 266 to help individuals prepare for their next permanent change of station. For reservations, call 228-5690.

### Right Start Base Orientation

Right Start Base Orientation is designed to welcome all newcomers to Davis-Monthan and the Tucson area. Leadership and base agencies discuss a variety of programs and services available. The next orientations are Feb. 11 and 24 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at The Mirage Officers' Club. Medical Right Start is from 12:40 to 4 p.m. Free childcare is available. For more information, call 228-5690.

### CSB/Redux Briefing

Personnel who are at their 14 and a half year mark are at the decision point to select Career Status Bonus/Redux or High-Three as their retirement plan. In order to make the best selection, attend the briefing Feb. 13 from 9 to 11 a.m. in Building 3200, Room 267.

## Happenings

### Food Locker Food Drive

The D-M First Sergeants Council is sponsoring a food drive at the base commissary Feb. 2 to 5 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The food drive is needed to replenish the stock in the D-M Diamond Outlet. Volunteers will be at the commissary handing out coupons and collecting goods throughout the week. If you are interested in donating any food items during the drive, call your unit first sergeant or Master Sgt. Michael Shadwick at 228-4503.

### National Prayer Breakfast

The National Prayer Breakfast is Thursday at 7 a.m. at The Mirage Officers' Club. Speaker is Air Combat Command Command Chaplain (Col.) David Cyr. The breakfast continues a tradition started in 1942 by the United States Senate and House of Representatives. The

purpose is to bring together the military and civilian leadership of the United States in recognition of the moral and spiritual values upon which America is founded. Tickets are \$6 and are available from first sergeants or by calling the base chapel at 228-5411.

### AETC Special Duty Team briefing

The Air Education and Training Special Duty Briefing Team hosts a special duty assignment opportunities briefing Feb. 12 at 10 a.m. in Building 4101. Senior airman through master sergeants with less than 17 years total active service from all Air Force specialties are eligible to apply and are encouraged to attend. Spouses are also welcome. Interested applicants should contact Senior Master Sgt. Lionel McFarlane at 228-7829 for other pertinent information to bring to the briefing.

## Movies

Movies begin at 7 p.m. Admission, for DoD ID card holders and their guest only, is \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children under 12 and senior citizens. For the recording, call 228-5694.

### Friday: Stuck on You

**(PG-13)** Bob and Walt Tenor are small-town legends who excel at most things. When the acting bug bites Walt, he convinces Bob to head west for the bright lights of Hollywood. Things begin to look up for Walt when the boys encounter legendary diva Cher. Looking to sabotage her new television series, of which she wants no part, Cher casts Walt as



her co-star. Instead of dooming the show, Walt propels it to the top of the ratings, and the brothers became instant celebrities. But whatever happens to the boys, one thing is certain: nothing will ever come between them. *2 hours, 8 minutes*

### Saturday and Sunday: The Last Samurai

**(R)** This film depicts the beginnings of the modernization of Japan, as the island nation evolved past a feudal society, symbolized by the eradication of the samurai way of life. Involved in the story is Captain Woodrow Algren, played by Tom Cruise, who is a Civil War veteran turned Winchester guns spokesman. Algren arrives in Japan to train the troops of the emperor, Meiji, who is preparing to wipe out the remaining samurai warriors. But when Algren is injured and captured by the samurai, he learns about their warrior honor code from their leader, Katsumoto, which forces him to decide which side of the conflict he actually wants to be on. *2 hours, 24 minutes*





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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Champagne Sunday Brunch!</b> \$15.95 (mbrs receive \$2 discount) 1000-13:30pm All of your favorite breakfast & lunch entrees! Kids 6-12, \$8.95 (mbrs \$1 discount) Kids 5 & under, Mbrs eat FREE (\$2 for non-mbrs)  <b>1 Super Bowl Sunday</b> at the Desert Oasis Enlisted Club Enjoy the fun and festivities of the big game Open to all ranks Doors open at 1500 Game starts at 1625  <b>HOURS OF OPERATION</b> Lunch: M-F 1100-1300 Dinner: Th & Fri 1730-2000 Sunday Brunch: 1000-1330 Caterer: Tu-F 0800-1700 (by appointment only) (Closed Mondays) Barber Shop: M-F 0800-1700 Bar: W-Th 1600-2000, Fri 1600-0100 Admin Offices: M-F 0800-1600 Cashier's Case: M-Tu: 0900-1400, W-F: 0900-1600	<b>Monday Lunch</b> <b>Chef's Choice!</b> \$7.85  <b>Members receive up to a \$2 discount per person for lunch or dinner.</b> <b>"It Pays to be a Member!"</b>  <b>2 CLUB CLOSED for Maintenance</b> Ground Hog Day  <b>16 CLUB CLOSED</b> President's Day  <b>PHONE #s</b> Juan Conde Club Manager 228-3301, x11 Sherry Jones Caterer 228-3301, x12 Robert Johnson Chef 228-3301, x16  <b>MAIN OFFICE</b> 748-0660 or 228-3301 <b>BARBER SHOP</b> 748-8968	<b>Tuesday Lunch</b> <b>Country Buffet</b> \$7.85  <b>3 CLUB CLOSED for Maintenance</b>  <b>24 Soul Food Luncheon</b> (in honor of Black Heritage Month) \$7.85 Mbrs receive \$2 discount  <b>Club Manager</b> 228-3301, x11 <b>Caterer</b> 228-3301, x12 <b>Chef</b> 228-3301, x16  <b>MAIN OFFICE</b> 748-0660 or 228-3301 <b>BARBER SHOP</b> 748-8968	<b>Wednesday Lunch</b> <b>BBQ Buffet</b> \$7.85  <b>18 ACC Dollar Days</b> Members Breakfast 0700-0900 \$1 (Sorry, no Services Bucks will be accepted today)  <b>German Feast</b> Enjoy the best German food this side of the Rhine 1730-2000 \$13.95 Mbrs receive \$2.00 discount  <b>Poly Bar Officers' Lounge</b> Opens 1600-2100	<b>Thursday Lunch</b> <b>Carved Buffet &amp; Pasta Station</b> \$7.85  <b>Poly Bar Officers' Lounge</b> Open 1600-2100 Free Taco Bar 1700-1900  <b>NEW! KARAOKE</b> Every Thursday in Catalina Ballroom Drink Specials 1800-2100  <b>2-4-1 Steak/Chicken Fish (or combo)</b> Free glass of wine with dinner \$16.95 (mbrs receive \$2 discount) 1730-2000  <b>Poly Bar Officers' Lounge</b> Opens 1600-2100	<b>Friday Lunch</b> <b>Catfish Buffet &amp; Meatloaf a la Mirage</b> served with all the fixins \$7.85  <b>Prime Rib Dinner</b> 1730-2000 Free glass of wine with dinner \$14.95 (mbrs receive \$2 discount) (Fish Dinner also available)  <b>27 "East2West" Band</b> 2000-0000 in the Catalina Ballroom  <b>Party in the Poly Bar!</b> 1700-0100 Bar opens 1600 Food, fun & friends begins at 1700 DJ Dave will be pumping out the tunes till you drop! (1800-2300) Enjoy dominoes, cards, crud and more!	<b>Call Sherry</b> at 228-3301 or 748-0660 to book your special functions! (Bookings by appt. only.)  <b>IMPORTANT * NOTICE *</b> <b>"TAKE OUTS ARE BACK!"</b> Pay the cashier for your to-go meal (\$8.10). mbrs receive \$2 discount, & you are welcome to use a Services Buck.  <b>IMPORTANT * NOTICE *</b>

For current information on Services activities, check out our WEB PAGE at [www.dmservicesonline.com](http://www.dmservicesonline.com)

## Services Activities

### Rocks and Ropes

Rocks and Ropes is the spot for indoor rock climbing. Once there, everyone will take part in a lesson before being able to climb as desired. Cost is \$18 and includes transportation, gear rental, first lesson and gym fees. Trip departs Saturday at 11 a.m. and returns at 2:30 p.m. For more information, call 228-3700.

### Mardi Gras and Monte Carlo Night

The Desert Oasis Club and Desert Lighting Community Center host Mardi Gras Monte Carlo Night Feb. 20 from 6 to 11 p.m. at the Desert Oasis Enlisted Club. There will be casino games, slots, prizes, Cajun food, local sponsors and a band. Tickets are on sale now at both clubs and the community center. Advance tickets are \$8 (includes \$500 free gambling chips) or \$8 at the door (includes \$200 free gambling chips). Cajun food tickets are \$8. For more information, call 228-3717.

### Squadron picnic kits

Let outdoor recreation help with your next squadron picnic or function with their free picnic kits. Kits include assorted sporting equipment, tables, chairs, coolers and water jugs. Kits must be reserved a minimum of two weeks prior to your event. For more information, call 228-3736.

### Get With The Program

The Family Child Care Center wants you to "Get With The Program" and become a child care professional. You'll get to operate your own home-based business with minimal cost to you. You may care for children on an hourly, part-day, full-day or extended basis. The Air Force FCC Program ensures you receive all necessary training, free of charge. Don't wait for your chance to earn extra cash. For more information, call 228-2201.

### Colossal Cave

At Colossal Cave, hikers will be taking a one and a half hour tour of the closed off and infrequently used passageways of the cave. There will be climbing, crawling and catwalk walking. At the end of the tour, there will be a southwest barbecue. Cost is \$45 and includes transportation, fees, tour and food. Bring plenty of water. Trip departs at 4:45 p.m. Feb. 7 and returns at 9 p.m. For more information, call 228-3700.

**Desert Oasis**  
Shock Wave Lounge  
Club Bucks Drawing Every Friday Night!

## DESERT OASIS IN FEBRUARY 2004

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Cashier Hours:</b> T-F: 11am-5pm <b>Office Hours:</b> T-F: 9am-4:30pm <b>TOP 3 Lounge:</b> Fri: Opens 3pm  <b>Join us for a BIG SUPERBOWL XXXVIII PARTY FEB 1st!</b> Doors Open 3pm! There will be fantastic food, drink specials & hundreds of dollars in prizes & giveaways! And we will be drawing the winning tickets for the Royal Kia & furniture! Mbr & spouse or 1 guest free for this event. Non-mbrs \$10  <b>CLUB CLOSED MONDAYS</b> <b>16 CABANAS CLOSED</b> President's Day Holiday  <b>Sundays Enjoy "Family Night" at Cabanas!</b> Buy a 12" one-item pizza w/soda at regular price of \$8.25, & get a second one for 1/2 price!  <b>CLUB CLOSED SUNDAYS</b> <b>Don't Forget "All Ranks Sunday Brunch" at The Mirage</b> 10:30am-1:30pm Cabanas Open 1500-2000	<b>Shock Wave Lounge:</b> Mon: Closed Tues & Thurs: 4-8pm Wed: 4-11pm Fri: 3-11pm Sat: Closed Sun: Closed  <b>Don't forget to join us Feb 20th for our Mardi Gras &amp; Monte Carlo Night!</b> Tickets on sale at both Clubs & Community Center In advance: \$8 & \$500 free gambling chips At the Door: \$8 & \$200 free gambling chips (Cajun Food Tickets \$8 mbrs \$3 discount)  <b>Shock Wave Lounge</b> 4-8pm <b>Call Brenda at 228-3100 or e-mail <a href="mailto:brenda.freeman@dm.af.mil">brenda.freeman@dm.af.mil</a></b> to book your special functions! (Booking by appointment only)	<b>Cabanas 747-3234</b> Mon: 10:30am-8pm Tues-Thurs: 10:30am-9pm Fri: 10:30am-10pm Sat: 1-10pm Sun: 1500-2000  <b>Shock Wave Lounge</b> Karaoke & M.U.G. Nite! 8-11pm Bring your own mug for \$1.50 refills! Your choice of Domestic Draft, Soda or Juice (32oz limit)  <b>18 ACC DOLLAR DAYS</b> MEMBERS BREAKFAST! 0700-0900  <b>Shock Wave Lounge</b> FREE tacos 5-6pm  <b>Cabanas Lunch Special!</b> 1030-1330 Jolly Roger Sandwich & Soft Drink \$6.25	<b>Eat at The Mirage</b> Lunch Served: Mon-Fri 11am-1pm Dinner Served: Wed & Thurs 5:30-8pm  <b>"IT PAYS TO BE A CLUB MEMBER!"</b>  <b>Specials for our under 21 members!</b> DM Members under 21 get all non-alcoholic beverages 1/2 price! Maintain your DM "Z" membership & get credit toward your 21st birthday party at the club! CLUB CREDIT AMOUNTS: 3 months = \$75 6 months = \$150 1 year or longer = \$300  <b>6 "Hip-Hop, Jazz &amp; Blues" w/DJ "Insane Payne" 6-11pm</b>  <b>13 "Variety Music" w/ "The Wrecking Crew" 6-11pm</b>  <b>20 MARDI GRAS &amp; MONTE CARLO NIGHT!</b> Doors Open 6pm Gambling/Cajun Food: 6-9pm Band: 6-10pm Auction: 10-11pm "WIN GREAT PRIZES!"  <b>"Hip-Hop, Jazz &amp; Blues" w/DJ "Insane Payne" 6-11pm</b>  <b>27 "Variety Music" w/ "The Wrecking Crew" 6-11pm</b>  <b>CLUB CLOSED SATURDAYS</b> <b>FRIDAYS! Shock Wave Lounge</b> Social Hour Food 5-6pm Join us for dominoes & card games!	<b>Barber Shop:</b> Mon-Fri: 8am-5pm Sat: 8am-1pm 748-8710  <b>Cabanas Open 1-10pm</b>		

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## Valentine's Day "Perfect Date" Gift Basket from the arts and crafts center

The gift shop in the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base Arts and Crafts Center has unique gifts for Valentine's Day. The perfect date gift basket contains sparkling cider, glasses, a candle, plates, cheese, crackers and other items needed for a romantic picnic. The cost of the basket starts at \$20. Delivery is free on base for orders of Valentine's Day merchandise over \$15. Shop early for the best

selection and make your sweetheart, friend or loved one happy this Valentine's Day. While you are at the arts and crafts center, check out the selection of all occasion gifts, silk flower arrangements, stuffed coffee mugs and unique custom gift baskets. For more information on services offered by the arts and crafts center, call 228-4385.



# Desert Airman Classifieds

## Misc. for Sale

Minolta Freedom Zoom 150 camera, \$75; single size bed includes bookcase headboard, footboard, mattress and bed spring (never used) \$350. If interested, please call 977-7424.

White bakers rack with oak shelf; wine rack; wine glass and coffee cup holder -asking \$75.00 5 piece rattan dinette set with square glass table top; 4 padded chairs with armrests; pecan color; purchased in Micronesia - asking \$500.00 Teak dining cart with green marble top; 2 drawers; 2 shelves behind door; 2 exposed shelves; 8 bottle wine rack; dish towel holder and spice rack - asking \$175.00 oak CD/Video rack - asking \$30.00 4 snack tables with stand - asking \$20.00 Call 207-1341 and leave message.

Set of 15" alloy rims w/ Firestone Wilderness HT tires, will fit any Ford, Chevy, or Dodge 5-bolt, light truck or SUV. \$80 Call David at 790-7238

## Misc. for Sale

16 Ft. trampoline with safety net. One year old. Paid \$350, asking \$250. Must move yourself. Fischer Price picnic table, seats 6 toddlers, \$10. Sand and water table, \$20. Small Little Tikes slide, \$5. Radio Flyer Tricycle, \$15. Large Dog Kennel, \$30. Call 571-1660.

Mini-half pip skateboard ramp. 8' x 16' x 7 1/2' plywood & 2x4 construction modular for easy moving. \$600. Call 514-5871.

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## House for Sale

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## House for Rent

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## Furn. & Appl.

Kitchenaid Prestige Washer and Kitchenaid Superba gas dryer, \$300 for pair or \$150.00 a piece. Both run great. 623 907-2127

Leather couch. Excellent condition, like brand new. \$500. Call & leave message 514-5871.

1 Sealy Posturepedic blue twin mattress with matching box spring, headboard with matching night stand, bed rails. Excel cond, mattress covered with plastic cover so it is spotless. \$400 entire set, delivered to your residence \$450. Call 584-0969

## Furn. & Appl.

2 Sofa sets for sale. 1st set: black leather, looks new, originally \$2,500, Now \$650. 2nd set: southwest style excel cond \$600. Lynne or Steve. 881-2972.

Whirlpool Washer and Dryer set. Extra Large Capacity. White. Excellent Condition. Works Great. Selling due to PCS. \$400 OBO. Call 519-0077 or 370-2164.

Whirlpool S/S fridge, water/ice, almond color \$450. King double pillowtop mattress set \$450. Olympic size bench, weights, weight stand, 6 pairs hex dumbbells \$350/ all. 744-0275.

## Furn. & Appl.

Walnut colored wood sleighbed headboard, dresser and mirror; \$500 2 yrs old Good condition. Call 977-0277.

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## Cars & Trucks

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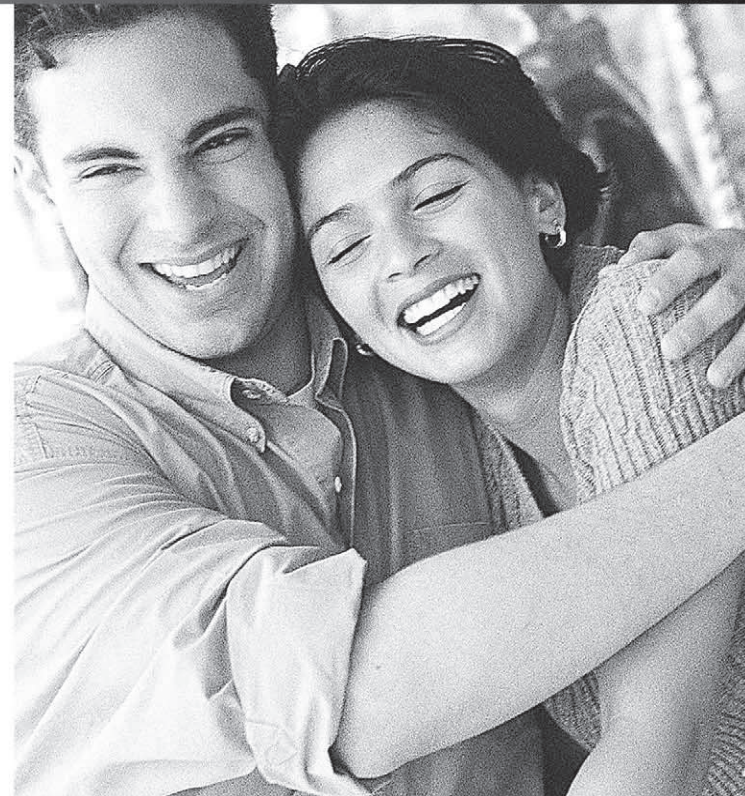
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